Dr. A. R. Menon.—Can any of them leave the State without the previous sanction of the Government? How long can one stay outside the State without obtaining sanction?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I think they have to take sanction even if it be for one night.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Does the Government think that no inconvenience will be caused to the public by allowing the Director of Public Instruction to live outside the State for such a long period?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It was when all the schools were closed and so Government thought that they can allow it without causing any inconvenience to the public.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Am I to understand that there is no work done during that period?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—There is work to be done; but he can as well attend to it when he is there.

314. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the names of officers who applied for permission to stay outside the State in 1108;

(b) were any refused;

(c) if so, who were they?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) (i) Mr. P. J. George, District Magistrate.

(ii) Mr. P. V. Raphael, Registrar of Village Panchayats.

(iii) Mr. I. N Menon, Director of Public Instruction.

(iv) Mr. M. P. Cherian, Excise Commissioner.

(b) No.

(c) Does not arise in view of the answer to (b).

Scheme for improvements of certain roads in the Mattancheri Municipality.

315. Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the Chairman of the Mattancheri Municipality has submitted to the Government a scheme for the improvement of certain roads, canals, etc.; if so, will the Government be pleased to place on the table a list of the same together with their estimate of cost;

(b) whether the Chairman has suggested the grant of a loan from the Government for carrying out the above improvements and the method suggested in repaying the same?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Yes. A copy of the Chairman's report is appended. (*Appendix I*).

(b) Yes. Please see the Chairman's report appended.

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